

SURVIVORS OF MARPESIA HERE

Only Seven Out of a Crew of Eighteen Were Rescued After Naphtha Explosion Wrecked the Vessel at Sea.

GALLIA STANDING BY, AND PICKED THEM UP.

Cases of Oil Were Smashed, and Vessel Quickly Became as Dangerous as a Dynamite Bomb Awaiting a Flash.

Seven survivors of the Norwegian ship Marpesia, which was wrecked at sea on Christmas Day by an explosion of naphtha, resulting in the death of eleven members of her crew, arrived here today on the steamer Trinidad, from Bermuda. They were rescued by the Danish steamer Gallia, which happened by just at the moment when the Marpesia was blown into a shapeless mass, and the seven men who survived the shock were taken from the sea, where they had sought the only refuge that remained to them after the explosion. They were landed at Bermuda by the Gallia, which was bound from Hamburg for Savannah.

Had Cargo of Naphtha.

The Marpesia sailed from New York for Cote, France, on Dec. 9 with a cargo of naphtha and had been out only a day or two when her troubles began. One gale succeeded another, but all were weathered in safety and without much damage until Dec. 17. On that day the ship was battered and knocked about in a merciless manner. Her ventilators were carried away from the decks, her hold began to fill and soon the cargo cases of naphtha began to be back and forth with every movement of the vessel. Then the cases began to slide away under the strain and in a little while the freed naphtha was floating around on top of the water in the hold.

Like a Loaded Bomb.

Gas from the fluid accumulated steadily, and by Christmas day the Marpesia was a loaded bomb, needing only the slightest spark to explode. The whole structure to atoms. How the spark reached the highly charged hold never will be known, but a sudden burst came a terrific report, the forward deck shot up into the air with a crash and in a moment the entire ship was wrapped in flames. Those of the eighteen men on board who had not been caught in the first burst threw themselves over the side of the flaming ship into the sea. They were only seven, and all would have perished had not the Gallia, which happened to be nearby, come down quickly to their aid when she saw the burst of flames.

The Captain's Story.

Capt. Jensen told the story of the awful catastrophe. Eleven men, who were in the fore-cabin, he said, were resting. Five had fallen asleep. The others were sitting at the table, eating. Suddenly a great light came from the wave, and nearly all of the eleven were suffering from frost bites. "About 11 A. M. on Christmas Day," he said, "I was on the poop. Nansen was at the wheel. Tjar was aft, and the mate and boy were below. The others were also aft. Suddenly there came a rumbling sound and then followed a burst of flames which leaped high into the air. The mainmast fell. There was a terrible wind at the time, and immediately after the explosion and the terrible burst of flames we swung the ship about so that the flames were over our stern, carrying the flames from us. "It seemed as though the bowels of the ship, timber and all else, shot into the air. Our unfortunate men forward never saw again. Faint cries for help we heard, but it was impossible even to think of rescuing them. The flames seemed to die down for a minute, and then came a steady burst of fire, which swept the ship from abast amidships to the bow. Dense smoke arose. "Had not Sighted a Vessel.

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"Those of us who were fortunate enough to have escaped the deluge gathered in the stern awaiting what we believed was almost sure death. We had not sighted a vessel since leaving New York, and all the men knew that their only chance for life lay in the opportune arrival of some craft. The flames seemed to be coming down upon us rapidly. Ten minutes after the explosion another vessel met. Then we had to leap into the water."

BIG AVALANCHE OF ROCKS FILLS FOUR BACK YARDS.

Tons of Boulders in the Bronx Crashed Down from Hill Crest—Another Landslide Feared.

An avalanche on the Clairmont Heights at One Hundred and Seventy-third street and Webster avenue, the Bronx, dropped several tons of rocks into the back yards of four flat-houses on Webster avenue today, tearing down fences and clothes lines and demolishing everything in its path. The avalanche was the result of a landslide, and the rocks were of various sizes, from a few pounds to several tons. The landslide occurred at about 10 A. M. and the rocks fell from a hill crest. The landslide was the result of a heavy rain, which had fallen on the hill for several days. The landslide was the result of a heavy rain, which had fallen on the hill for several days. The landslide was the result of a heavy rain, which had fallen on the hill for several days.

J. R. GIMBERNAT SENDS MESSAGES TO MOTHER.

Man Mysteriously Missing Three Days Says He Had Been in a Turkish Bath.

Julius R. Gimbernat, who had been living with his mother at No. 72 West Eighty-ninth street prior to his disappearance Friday night, notified his mother today of his whereabouts. Mrs. Gimbernat received two messages last night which set her at ease. Gimbernat is twenty-five years old and came with his wife from Mamorock last week. Mrs. Gimbernat was stopping at the Cumberland with her aunt, Mrs. Alker. When Mr. Gimbernat did not return home on Saturday the police were notified and a search was made for him. It was said he had been in the Hotel Astor, but the clerks there denied having seen him during the period of his disappearance. In one of the messages received by Mrs. Gimbernat her son says that he was in a Turkish bath.

CHILD LABOR'S HARDEST NUT.



DORCI MASCOLO.

Sanza and said that she lived with her parents at No. 516 East Fourteenth street. In the accompanying photograph she is shown as she looked while Mr. Walling was questioning her. The inspector took the name of the firm and noted down the cases in his notebook to report to the Commissioner.

Sweatshop Raids.

Inspectors of the Labor Department continued this morning the raiding of sweatshops in which clothing is manufactured without a license. About fifty of these places, situated chiefly in Elizabeth and Mulberry streets, were raided yesterday afternoon, and as many more will be visited to-day. When the amendment to the labor law, requiring that these tenements should be licensed, went into effect last October the Commissioner sent out 10,000 notices to landlords. Thus far only 1,815 applications for licenses have been received, of which only 435 have been granted. The Commissioner considers that in the three months intervening landlords have had ample opportunity to learn of the new law and apply for licenses, and from now on he will enforce the law rigidly.

Two Typical Cases.

Dorci Mascolo, a rosy-cheeked little Italian boy, living at No. 815 Bowery, and whose appearance and actions showed that he had never seen sixteen, was found working at one of the tables, ironing violets. "How old are you?" asked Mr. Walling, stepping up to the lad. "Fourteen," was the prompt reply. "Have you a Health Board industrial certificate?"

"Nope."

"Then you can't work in a factory," said Mr. Walling, turning to the foreman, "and employ no more children unless they can prove to you that they are sixteen years old or unless they have a certificate." The accompanying picture of young Mascolo was taken just before he left his bench to go home. In another part of the shop a pretty little girl, wearing short dresses and busily engaged in making buttons, attracted the attention of the visitors. "How old are you?" queried the inspector. "Sixteen last December," replied the girl unhesitatingly. "And how long have you been working here?"

"Seven months."

"Then you were only fifteen when you came to work and you were employed illegally. You may be sixteen now, but you don't look it, and before you start working to-morrow morning you must bring an affidavit from your parents stating that you are of legal age." The girl gave her name as Emma.

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RUSSIAN GRAY SQUIRREL FOUR-IN-HAND TIES of clear gray skins and lined with heavy gray satin. **4.95**

RUSSIAN GRAY SQUIRREL MUFFS of clear gray skins to match above; made in a dandy pillow style, gray satin lined. **6.75**

SABLE SQUIRREL FOUR-IN-HAND TIES, made from full skins and lined with heavy brown satin. **7.50**

SABLE SQUIRREL MUFFS to match above, made in shapely pillow style, lined with brown satin. **8.75**

MOLINE FOUR-IN-HAND TIES (pretty gray shade), lined with heavy gray satin and prettily shaped at neck. **4.95**

MOLINE MUFFS to match above, made in shapely pillow style and lined with gray satin. **2.95**

SABLE OR ISABELLA FOX DOUBLE SCARFS of choice fluffy skins, finished with brush tails at ends. **7.75**

SABLE OR ISABELLA FOX MUFFS, in large pillow shape, to match above, and lined with brown satin. **8.75**

PERSIAN LAMB FOUR-IN-HAND TIES of Leipzig dyed skins and lined with black Skinner satin. **10.00**

LEIPZIG DYED PERSIAN LAMB MUFFS to match above, made in shapely pillow style, Skinner satin lined. **10.00**

ALASKA SABLE FOUR-IN-HAND SCARFS, 58 inches long and lined with heavy satin. **10.00**

ALASKA SABLE MUFFS to match above, made in large pillow shape and lined with heavy satin. **12.75**

SABLE FOX FOUR-IN-HAND TIES, 60 inches long and with fur on both sides, made from choice fluffy skins. **15.00**

(Siegel Cooper Fur Rooms, 34 5th Floor.)

Women's Fur Coats, Capes, Ties, Scarfs, Muffs and Sets.

The Greatest Clearance Sale of the Winter.

The Fur Store promises to be a scene of intense activity tomorrow, for as soon as open we shall start one of the most comprehensive clearances known in many seasons. It's a manufacturer's clearance, and that means

Furs Right Out of Wholesale Stocks at the Most Amazing Low Prices.

Many women will doubtless buy for next season.

SABLE FOX MUFFS of choice fluffy skins, to match above; they are made in large pillow shape, satin lined. **7.95**

MINK FOUR-IN-HAND TIES, 56 inches long, made from selected dark skins and lined with satin. **15.00**

MINK MUFFS in large pillow shape, three stripe and of dark skins to match above. **25.00**

ERMINE FOUR-IN-HAND SCARFS or Military Seal Scarfs, lined with white brocade satin. **19.50**

ERMINE MUFFS to match above, made in large pillow shape, ten tails and lined with white satin. **35.00**

Sets.

WHITE FOX SETS, consisting of double scarf and large muff; made from beautiful fluffy skins. **30.00**

Coats and Capes.

ASTRACHAN COATS, 24 or 26 inch box-front style, lined with Skinner satin, sizes up to 46 inch bust. **20.00**

MOIRE ASTRACHAN AUTOMOBILE COATS, 27 inches long, made with belted back and full sleeves with cuffs. **25.00**

WOOL-SEAL STORM COATS, 24 inch box front style, with collar and revers of Sable Raccoon, Skinner satin lining. **20.00**

LEIPZIG-DYED PERSIAN LAMB COATS, 24 inch box front style of full well-matched skins, best workmanship. **82.50**

RUSSIAN GRAY SQUIRREL COATS, blouse front style, made from full clear skins and lined with white Peau de Cygne. **89.50**

OTTER COATS made from beautifully matched skins in 24 inch box front style, Skinner satin lined. **115.00**

HUDSON BAY BEAVER CAPES, 30 inches long, 100 inch sweep, lined throughout with Skinner satin. **62.50**



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High-Grade Floor Coverings

Materially Reduced in Price.

Amxminster Carpets.

Many have beautiful borders to match. An elegant opportunity to purchase a high-class floor covering at a very moderate price. Sold regularly at \$1.20; special to-morrow. **90c**

Wool Velvet Carpets.

Three are designs suitable for rooms, halls and stairs. In the printed designs there are twenty neat patterns, with or without borders, in bold flat colorings: **75c**

Linoleums.

Choice patterns of fine quality linoleum, tile and floral effects: 2 and 4 yards wide: 85c. grade, square yard. **65c**

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Very heavily printed, which fact aids in wearing qualities; in widths of 1, 1 1/2, 2 1/2 yards, at per square yard: **38c**

50c quality, square yard. **38c**

45c quality, square yard. **32c**

40c quality, square yard. **29c**

35c quality, square yard. **26c**

30c quality, square yard. **19c**

(Siegel Cooper Store, 5th Floor, Front.)

Bargains in Upholsteries.

Various Things for the Thrifty.

Just now with plans for housecleaning in mind, these upholsteries at the prices named will interest a host of busy housekeepers.

Sateen Lambrequins.

36 inches wide by 2 1/2 yards long; heavily fringed on two ends and one side; in variety of colorings and patterns. **98c**

Couch Covers.

Another shipment of heavy imitation Bagdad patterns; full size and variety of colorings on the regulation Bagdad style; may be used on either side and are very durable; nicely fringed and ready for use; regularly \$2.50 each. **1.79**

Odds and Ends of Portieres.

We have assembled our left-over half pairs into two lots and the early shopper will procure the best bargains to-morrow. **1.49 & 2.00**

Irish Point Door Panels.

Varied assortment of designs, all measured on a good quality of white net and will measure 45 in x 36 in. **33c**

(Siegel Cooper Store, 5th Floor, Front.)

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The great once-a-year event is attracting unusual attention. That is because for we are offering thousands of good handkerchiefs for men, women and children at wonderfully reduced prices.

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Children's All White and Colored Border Handkerchiefs—near black initial, fancy picture box of three. Regularly 25c.

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